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FOLLOWING REPEATS TEHRAN 1677 ACTION DEPT FEB 20TH

QUOTE

UNCLAS TEHRAN 1677

E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: BTRA, APER, IR

SUBJ: HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS IN TEHRAN

1. DEPARTMENT PLEASE INFORM NEA AND EUR POSTS AND AREA MILITARY HEADQUARTERS, AS WELL AS INTERESTED U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, OF THE FOLLOWING IN REGARD TO HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS IN TEHRAN.

2. THERE IS A CRITICAL SHORTAGE OF HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS IN TEHRAN. ALL MAJOR HOTELS AND MOST SECOND AND THIRD CLASS FACILITIES REPORT FULL BOOKINGS THROUGH JUNE. THIS SITUATION IS EXPECTED TO CONTINUE FOR AT LEAST A YEAR UNTIL NEW FACILITIES NOW IN THE CONSTRUCTION STAGE ARE COMPLETED. GIVEN THIS SITUATION THE EMBASSY REGRETS THAT IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR IT TO SECURE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR ANY VISITORS EXCEPT SENIOR U.S. GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TRAVELING ON URGENT OFFICIAL BUSINESS THAT CANNOT BE DEFERRED. NOTIFICATION AS FAR IN ADVANCE AS UNCLASSIFIED

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POSSIBLE IS CRITICAL.

3. AS THE HOTEL SITUATION HAS WORSENERED OVER THE PAST  
SEVERAL MONTHS THE EMBASSY HAS BEEN INCREASINGLY FORCED  
TO SOLICIT THE ASSISTANCE OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY OR THE  
IMPERIAL COURT TO OBTAIN ACCOMMODATIONS FOR GROUPS OF  
VISITORS. WE OBVIOUSLY CANNOT CONTINUE TO DO THIS  
BECAUSE OF THE OBLIGATIONS IT INCURS AND BECAUSE IT MEANS  
THAT PEOPLE WITH PREVIOUSLY CONFIRMED RESERVATIONS ARE  
DISPLACED THROUGH THE COMMANDEERING ACTIONS OF THE  
GOVERNMENT ON OUR BEHALF.  
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